



# The 7<sup>th</sup> Express

Proudly Moving Alabama's 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Forward

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell

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## The 7<sup>th</sup> District Is On The Move!

### Greetings!

The 7<sup>th</sup> Express is on the move! During our first year, this office helped to secure \$1.3 million in direct benefits to constituents of the 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District and received over \$20 million in grants for our community. This second year we hope to keep up this proud tradition. This newsletter is a way to track our progress. You can subscribe to this newsletter by visiting our website. Please forward to others so that they can stay informed. [Click here](#) to visit our website or visit <http://sewell.house.gov/>.

### House Resolution 562 Introduced by Congresswoman Sewell Passes Unanimously



Recently, we passed bi-partisan House Resolution 562 acknowledging the historical significance of the Selma-to-Montgomery marches of 1965. This resolution directs the Office of the Historian of the United States House of Representatives to compile oral histories from current and former Members of Congress involved in the Selma to Montgomery marches as well as the Civil Rights Movement, for the purposes of expanding and augmenting the historic record for public dissemination and education. [Click here](#) to view press release.

### Black History Month

February is a month-long celebration honoring black history and the extraordinary accomplishments African Americans have contributed to this nation and the world. The theme for this year's National Black History Month is "Black Women in American Culture and History." The story of the 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District and the State of Alabama cannot be told without remembering the significant contributions that African Americans from Alabama have made to our nation through their courage to fight for excellence, equality and justice for all. [Click here](#) to read my statement on Black History Month.



On February 27, I had the pleasure of speaking with the congregation at Trinity Baptist Church for their Black History Month program.



On February 28, I was delighted to speak to students at Southview Elementary School for their Black History Month program.

### Congresswoman Sewell & Morgan Academy Students

On February 29, we had the pleasure of meeting with students from Morgan Academy in Selma, Alabama, who were visiting Washington, D.C. as part of their 8<sup>th</sup> grade class field trip.



## Rural Medical Scholars Program



Recently, we met with students in the Rural Medical Scholars Program who attend Auburn University and the University of Alabama. The program was established through the University of Alabama's College of Community Health Sciences and the students are college seniors who are medical school applicants from rural backgrounds that intend to practice primary care in rural and underserved areas.

## National Prayer Breakfast

On February 2, we had the pleasure of attending the annual National Prayer Breakfast with two faith-based leaders from the 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Alabama: Reverend Gary Crum from Elmwood Community Church in Selma, AL and Reverend Roy Ferguson from St. John Missionary Church in Tuscaloosa, AL. The Prayer Breakfast provides an opportunity for political, community, faith-based and business leaders from all over the world to come together to pray and reflect upon issues facing the nation.



Congresswoman Sewell and Reverend Roy Ferguson



Congresswoman Sewell and Reverend Gary Crum

## Congressional Black Caucus Internship & Fellowship Opportunity

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation (CBCF) is now accepting applications for their fellowship and internship programs. This intensive nine-week summer program offers the opportunity for college students from across the nation to learn about the legislative process, leadership and careers in the policy making process. Interns work in CBC member offices, attend professional development events, and participate in leadership development projects. The program prepares young people to become informed decision makers and influential leaders who shape our world.

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It is an honor to serve the 7<sup>th</sup> District in Congress.  
I'll be back in touch again soon!



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